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SUBJECT: CONTINUING ELECTRIC POWER CRISIS IN GEORGETOWN-STATUS
REPORT

REF: GEORGETOWN 1218 (NOTAL)

1. A MEMBER OF THE CANADIAN GROUP OF ADVISORS ASSISTING
THE GOG IN TRYING TO MAINTAIN ELECTRIC POWER IN GEORGETOWN
INFORMED US THAT ON APRIL 19 THERE WAS MAJOR EXPLOSION IN
ONE OF THE THREE OPERATING UNITS AT GARDEN OF EDEN. BOTH
PISTON AND LINER COLLAPSED. NOW TRYING TO OBTAIN REPLACE-
MENTS OF LINER AND PISTON FROM FAIRBANKS MORSE OR OHER SOURCE.
TWO OTHER ENGINES WERE SUBSEQUENTLY FOUND TO HAVE SIMILAR
DEFECTS AND EFFORTS MADE TO CORRECT THIS. THIS MEANS
THAT ONLY TWO OF FOUR UNITS AT GARDEN OF EDEN NOW OPERATING.
ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE THE UNIT WHICH EXPERIENCED
MECHANICLA FAILURE CANNOT BE BACK IN OPERATION UNTIL SPARE
PARTS ARE OBTAINED EITHER IN U.S. OR CANADA AND FLOWN
INTO GUYANA. NO CHANGE IN KINGSTON PLANT. SITUATION
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STILL TOUCH AND GO WITH UNCERTAINTIES ABOUT ENGINE
CAPABILITIES.

WRO GOVERNMENT CONTINUES ITS EFFORTS TO "SQUEEZE" AS
MANY MEGAWATTS AS POSSIBLE OUT OF THE OLD PLANT AT
KINGSTON. HOWEVER, THE NEW FAILURE AT GARDEN OF EDEN
WILL REQUIRE EVEN MORE DRASTIC LOADSHEDDING OVER THE

NEXT SEVERAL DAYS THAN HAS BEEN THE CASE IN THE LAST
WEEK.
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